## Dumont Shade Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes Dumont Senior Center, Monday, October 15, 2012 7:45pm

Sunshine Law: The Dumont Shade Tree Commission has complied with the open public meeting act, having sent notice to The Record, Ridgewood news and filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the Borough's Official Bulletin Board

Present: Ray Slaman, Abbie Slaman, Tom Fisichella, Rafael Riquelme, Ryan Mertz, Absent: Larry Tobias, Sally Tayeb

- 1- Motion to approve the previous August and September minute meetings by Ryan and second by Tom. All approve. Rafael Abstain on September minutes.
- 2- **Tree Maintenance**: 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter maintenance report submitted by Tom. Trees trimmed were 125 and trees removed 23. Complaints to date were 104 versus 136 in 2011. Tree on 122 to be removed. Bee Keeper to remove beehive before removal.
- 3- **Adopt- a-Tree**: Fall planting goal is 20-30 trees. We have so far 28 trees for spring planting. 200 trees planted since the program began.
- 4- Discussed introducing a ordinance for privately owned trees regulations and removals.
- 5- **Friends of Shade Tree**: Paperwork will be completed this week.
- 6- Arboretum Walk way: Approved by Mayor and Council.
- 7- **Unauthorized Removal of Borough Trees**: Building Dept. involvement in monitoring unauthorized removals and ways to handle and fines.
- 8- Tree Photos for newsletter needed.
- 9- NJTF Conference in Cherry Hill to be attended by Abbie, Ray and Ryan.

Adjournment 9:06pm